

PALEONTOLOGY

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New Listings

Scott#	Denom	Common Name/Scientific Name	Family/Subfamily	Code
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All official stamps which are directly related to Paleontology and Paleoanthropology that issued in the last 3 months are printed by famous Stamperija agency, who prints hundreds of new stamps for two dozen of their customers every month and dominate in production of topical stamps in last two decades.

By the way, since short time ago, the agency has new website: <https://www.stampera.eu>

One of their recent stamp set is indeed different from others and can be considered by serious collectors

TAJIKISTAN 2020 December 20 (Paleontology of Tajikistan)

TJS 6.30 †*Kansajsuchus extensus* and TJS 7.00 Settlement of Konsoy

TJS 5.80 Dinosaur footprint and TJS 9.00 Shirkent National Park

TJS 5.80 Amonite *Cleoniceras* and TJS 17.60 Pamir Montains

TJS 12.70 †*Mammuthus meridionalis* and 15.00 Kayrakkum reservoir

**Available as imperforated stamps too, as common for all stamps of Stamperija*



These stamps issued in four Mini-Sheets. Every Mini-Sheet contains four pairs of stamps.

The stamp on the left shows fossil, footprint or reconstruction of prehistoric animal when the stamp on the right shows landscape of a place where its fossils were found.

Left side of every Mini-Sheet has a short explanation on Tajik and English languages.

Reconstruction of the prehistoric animal in his living environment shown on the bottom side of the Mini-Sheet. To visualize these prehistoric animals, the stamp designer, made no sketch or computer drawing, but just manipulated some stock images of the agency, therefore these images don't show unique features of the reconstructed animals and might be not accurate from the scientific point of view.

Mammuthus meridionalis on the stamp has big ears, as the modern African elephant, when the Mammoth on the Mini-Sheet's margin has small ears, as the modern Asian elephant.

More details are here: http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/description/stamps/tajikistan_2020.html



In 2020 Tajikistan starts to produce their stamps by Stamperija agency.

Distinguished from many other clients of Stamperija, stamps of Tajikistan shows some domestic flora, fauna, and cultural objects related to the country and so far produced in the reasonable quantity.

According to local collector, most stamps produced by Stamperija on behalf of Tajikistan are available in the central post office of Dushanbe, but the Paleontology set is still on the way.

This is also means that the FDC that produced together with the stamps is actually the Souvenir Cover rather than First Day of issue Cover and very likely cannot be used for postage.

---- Other stamps of Stamperija, this time extremely many stamps are produced ----

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC 2020 November 30

(150y American Museum of Natural History) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

SS 3600fr Mounted skeleton of †*Barosaurus* dinosaur †Diplodocidae A SS

2020 November 30 (Dinosaurs) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	850fr	† <i>Parasaurolophus walkeri</i>	†Hadrosauridae	A MS
b	850fr	† <i>Majungasaurus crenatissimus</i>	†Abelisaurida	A MS
c	850fr	† <i>Abelisaurus comahuensis</i>	†Abelisauridae	A MS
d	850fr	† <i>Spinosaurus aegyptiacus</i>	†Spinosauridae	A MS
e	SS 3300fr	† <i>Ankylosaurus magniventris</i>	†Ankylosauridae	A MS
	Margin:	† <i>Spinosaurus aegyptiacus</i>	†Spinosauridae	A SS Z

2020 July 24 (80y discovery of cave paintings in Lascaux, France) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

MS 900fr x4

SS 3600fr

2020 July 24 (Flying dinosaurs) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1] [*2]

a	850fr	† <i>Archaeopteryx lithographica</i>	†Archaeopterygidae	A MS
b	850fr	† <i>Pteranodon longiceps</i>	†Pteranodontidae	A MS

CENTRAL SAFRICAN REPUBLIC (continued)

c	850fr	† <i>Dimorphodon macronyx</i>	†Dimorphodontidae	A MS
d	850fr	† <i>Ornithocephalus banthensis</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A MS
e	SS 3300fr	† <i>Pterodactylus longicaudus</i>	Suborder: †Pterodactyloidea	A MS
	Margin:	† <i>Ornithocephalus banthensis</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A SS
		† <i>Pteranodon longiceps</i>	†Pteranodontidae	A SS Z
		† <i>Dimorphodon macronyx</i>	†Dimorphodontidae	A SS Z
2020 July 24 (Meteorites and Dinosaurs)			MS 4 & SS 1	[*1]

a	850fr	Iron meteorite		
b	850fr	The Canyon Diablo meteorite and †Pterosauroomorpha		B MS
c	850fr	L chondrite and † <i>Protoceratops andrewsi</i>	†Protoceratopsidae	B MS
d	850fr	Tektite and † <i>Ouranosaurus nigeriensis</i>	Suborder: †Ornithopoda	B MS
e	SS 3300fr	The Chelyabinsk meteor		
	Margin:	Iron meteorite; † <i>Proceratosaurus bradleyi</i>	†Proceratosauridae	B SS Z
2020 June 22 (Dinosaurs)			MS 4 & SS 1	[*1]

a	800fr	† <i>Cryolophosaurus ellioti</i>	Clade: Theropoda	A MS
b	800fr	† <i>Lexovisaurus durobrivensis</i>	†Stegosauridae	A MS
c	800fr	† <i>Pentaceratops sternbergii</i>	†Ceratopsidae	A MS
d	800fr	† <i>Camarasaurus supremus</i>	†Camarasaurida	A MS
e	SS 3000fr	† <i>Styracosaurus albertensis</i>	†Ceratopsidae	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Zhongyuansaurus luoyangensis</i>	†Ankylosauridae	A SS Z
		† <i>Ophiacodon mirus</i>	†Ophiacodontidae	A SS Z
2020 June 22 (Flying dinosaurs)			MS 4 & SS 1	[*1] [*2]

a	800fr	† <i>Dimorphodon macronyx</i>	†Dimorphodontidae	A MS
b	800fr	† <i>Peteinosaurus zambelli</i>	Order: †Pterosauria	A MS
c	800fr	† <i>Rhamphorhynchus muensteri</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A MS
d	800fr	† <i>Anhanguera santanae</i>	†Anhangueridae	A MS
		† <i>Dorygnathus banthensis</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A MS
	Margin:	† <i>Pterodactylus antiquus</i>	Suborder: †Pterodactyloidea	A MS
e	SS 3000fr	† <i>Archaeopteryx lithographica</i>	†Archaeopterygidae	A MS
2020 June 22 (Extinct Mammals)			MS 4 & SS 1	[*1]

a	900fr	† <i>Cypretherium coarctatum</i>	†Entelodontidae	A MS
b	900fr	† <i>Megacerops coloradensis</i>	†Brontotheriidae	A MS
c	900fr	† <i>Platybelodon grangeri</i>	†Amebelodontidae	A MS
d	900fr	† <i>Sivatherium giganteum</i>	Giraffidae	A MS
e	SS 3600fr	† <i>Macrauchenia patachonica</i>	†Macrauchiidae	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Sivatherium giganteum</i>	Giraffidae	B SS Z

DJIBOUTI**2020 July 27** (Flying dinosaurs) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1] [*2]

a	250fr	† <i>Anhanguera blittersdorffi</i>	†Anhangueridae	A MS
b	250fr	† <i>Peteinosaurus zambelli</i>	Order: †Pterosauria	A MS
c	250fr	† <i>Quetzalcoatlus northropi</i>	†Azhdarchidae	A MS
d	250fr	† <i>Pteranodon longiceps</i>	†Pteranodontidae	A MS
e	SS 1000fr	† <i>Ornithocephalus banthensis</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A SS

DJIBOUTI (continued)

Margin: † <i>Quetzalcoatlus northropi</i>	†Azhdarchidae	B SS Z
† <i>Pteranodon longiceps</i>	†Pteranodontidae	A SS Z
† <i>Peteinosaurus zambelli</i>	Order: †Pterosauria	B SS Z

2020 July 27 (Fossils)

MS FB 250 x4

a	250fr	† <i>Carcharocles megalodon</i> tooth	†Otodontidae	A MS
b	250fr	<i>Triceratops horridus</i>	†Ceratopsidae	A MS
c	250fr	†Ammonite	Subclass: †Ammonoidea	A MS
d	250fr	†Trilobite fossil	Phylum: Arthropoda	A MS
e	SS	1000fr † <i>Seymouria</i> fossil	†Seymouriidae	A SS
	Margin:	†Trilobite fossil	Phylum: Arthropoda	A SS Z

2020 June 12 (80y discovery of cave paintings in Lascaux, France) MS 2 x2 & SS 1 [*1]

MS 200fr x2

MS 400fr x2

SS 1000fr

GUINEA**2020 October 26 (Fossils) (MS 4 & SS 1) [*1]**

a	15000fr	† <i>Sclerocephalus auseris</i>	†Sclerocephalidae	A MS
b	15000fr	Fossils of Trilobites	Phylum: Arthropoda	A MS
c	15000fr	† <i>Sinraptor dongi</i>	†Metriacanthosauridae	A MS
d	15000fr	† <i>Plesiosaurus dolichodeirus</i>	†Plesiosauridae	A MS
e	SS	60000fr † <i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i>	†Ichthyosauridae	A SS
	Margin:	<i>Galeocерdo mayumbensis</i> tooth	Carcharhinidae	B SS Z
		Ammonites	Subclass: †Ammonoidea	B SS Z

2020 October 26 (PREHISTORIC WATER ANIMALS) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	15000fr	† <i>Tylosaurus proriger</i>	†Mosasauridae	A MS
b	15000fr	† <i>Mawsonia gigas</i>	†Mawsoniidae	A MS
c	15000fr	† <i>Shonisaurus popularis</i>	†Shonisauridae	A MS
d	15000fr	† <i>Kronosaurus queenslandicus</i>	†Pliosauridae	A MS
e	SS	60000fr † <i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i>	†Ichthyosauridae	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Kronosaurus queenslandicus</i>	†Pliosauridae	A SS Z

GUINEA-BISSAU**2020 September 29 (Prehistoric birds) MS 4 & SS 1) [*1]**

a	740fr	† <i>Argentavis magnificens</i>	†Teratornithidae	A MS
b	740fr	† <i>Iberomesornis romerali</i>	†Iberomesornithidae	A MS
c	740fr	† <i>Dromornis stirtoni</i>	†Dromornithidae	A MS
d	740fr	† <i>Confuciusornis sanctus</i>	†Confuciusornithidae	A MS
e	SS	3000fr † <i>Hieraaetus moorei</i>	Accipitridae	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Vorombe titan</i>	†Aepyornithidae	A SS Z

LIBERIA**2020 November 30 (Dinosaurs) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]**

a	\$300	† <i>Ankylosaurus magniventris</i>	†Ankylosauridae	A MS
b	\$300	† <i>Spinosaurus aegyptiacus</i>	† Spinosauridae	A MS
c	\$300	† <i>Triceratops prorsus</i>	†Ceratopsidae	A MS
d	\$300	† <i>Heterodontosaurus tucki</i>	†Heterodontosauridae	A MS

SÃO TOMÉ and PRINCIPE 2020 November 30 (Dinosaurs)

a	31d	† <i>Triceratops horridus</i>	†Ceratopsidae	A MS
b	31d	† <i>Edmontosaurus regalis</i>	†Hadrosauridae	A MS
c	31d	† <i>Spinosaurus aegyptiacus</i>	†Spinosauridae	A MS
d	31d	† <i>Gigantichthys numidus</i>	Pristidae	A MS
e	SS 124d	† <i>Parasaurolophus walkeri</i>	†Hadrosauridae	A SS
		Margin: † <i>Ctenochasma roemeri</i>	†Ctenochasmatidae	A SS Z
		† <i>Tyrannosaurus rex</i>	†Tyrannosauridae	A SS Z

2020 November 30 (Extinct species) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	31d	† <i>Smilodon fatalis</i>	Felidae	A MS
b	31d	† <i>Mammuthus primigenius</i>	Elephantidae	A MS
c	31d	† <i>Bison priscus</i>	Bovidae	A MS
d	31d	† <i>Smilodon fatalis</i>	Felidae	A MS
e	SS 124d	† <i>Arsinoitherium zitteli</i>	†Arsinoitheriidae	A SS
		Margin: † <i>Megantereon cultridens</i>	Felidae	A SS Z

SIERRA LEONE 2020 August 31 (Dinosaurs) MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	14500le	† <i>Spinosaurus aegyptiacus</i>	†Spinosauridae	A MS
		† <i>Triceratops horridus</i>	†Ceratopsidae	B MS
b	14500le	† <i>Pterodactylus longicaudus</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A MS
		† <i>Tyrannosaurus rex</i>	†Tyrannosauridae	A MS
c	14500le	† <i>Pteranodon longiceps</i>	†Pteranodontidae	A MS
		† <i>Ankylosaurus magniventris</i>	†Ankylosauridae	A MS
d	14500le	† <i>Stegosaurus stenops</i>	†Stegosauridae	A MS
e	SS 58000le	† <i>Brachiosaurus altithorax</i>	†Brachiosauridae	A SS
		Margin: † <i>Centrosaurus apertus</i>	†Ceratopsidae	A SS Z
		† <i>Tyrannosaurus rex</i>	†Tyrannosauridae	A SS Z

2020 August 31 Prehistoric water animals MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	14500le	† <i>Nothosaurus mirabilis</i>	†Nothosauridae	A MS
b	14500le	† <i>Hydrotherosaurus alexandrae</i>	†Elasmosauridae	A MS
c	14500le	† <i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i>	†Ichthyosauridae	A MS
d	14500le	† <i>Pliosaurus ferox</i>	†Pliosauridae	A MS
e	SS 58000le	† <i>Tylosaurus proriger</i>	†Mosasauridae	A SS
		Margin: † <i>Dinichthys terrelli</i>	†Dinichthyidae	A SS Z

2020 August 31 Flying dinosaurs MS 4 & SS 1 [*1] [*2]

a	14500le	† <i>Archaeopteryx lithographica</i>	†Archaeopterygidae	A MS
b	14500le	† <i>Eudimorphodon ranzii</i>	†Eudimorphodontidae	A MS
c	14500le	† <i>Zhejiangopterus linhaiensis</i>	†Azhdarchidae	A MS
d	14500le	† <i>Zhenyuanopterus longirostris</i>	†Boreopteridae	A MS
e	SS 58000le	† <i>Rhamphorhynchus muensteri</i>	†Rhamphorhynchidae	A SS
		Margin: † <i>Pteranodon longiceps</i>	†Pteranodontidae	A SS Z

2020 August 31 Fossils MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	14500le	† <i>Parasaurolophus walkeri</i>	†Hadrosauridae	A MS
b	14500le	† <i>Ammonoidea</i>	Subclass: †Ammonoidea	A MS
c	14500le	† <i>Brachiopoda</i>	Phylum: Brachiopoda	A MS

SIERRA LEONE (continued)

d	14500le	† <i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i>	†Ichthyosauridae	A MS
e	SS 58000le	† <i>Ammonoidea</i>	Subclass: †Ammonoidea	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Tyrannosaurus rex</i>	†Tyrannosauridae	A SS Z
		2020 July 15 80y discovery of cave paintings in Lascaux) MS 4 & SS 1) [*1]		
	MS Le 14500 x4			
	SS Le 58000			

TOGO 2020 October 08 Prehistoric humans MS 4 & SS 1 [*1]

a	800fr	† <i>Homo neanderthalensis</i>	Hominidae	A MS
b	800fr	†Lucy	Hominidae	A MS
c	800fr	† <i>Australopithecus afarensis</i>	Hominidae	A MS
d	800fr	† <i>Homo erectus</i>	Hominidae	A MS
e	SS 3300fr	† <i>Homo neanderthalensis</i>	Hominidae	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Australopithecus afarensis</i>	Hominidae	A SS Z
		2020 October 08 Flying dinosaurs MS 4 & SS 1 [*1] [*2]		
a	800fr	† <i>Dsungaripterus weii</i>	†Dsungaripteridae	A MS
b	800fr	† <i>Gnathosaurus subulatus</i>	†Ctenochasmatidae	A MS
c	800fr	† <i>Pterodactylus antiquus</i>	Suborder: †Pterodactyloidea	A MS
d	800fr	† <i>Pterodaustro guinazui</i>	†Ctenochasmatidae	A MS
e	SS 3300fr	† <i>Tupandactylus imperator</i>	†Tapejaridae	A SS
	Margin:	† <i>Dimorphodon macronyx</i>	†Dimorphodontidae	A SS Z

Personalized stamps**BRAZIL “Valley of the Dinosaurs, Paraíba”** - the date of the issue is unknown

This personalized stamp appeared on internet just recently. Perhaps it was issued last year.

The image is just a photo of some sculptures of the park, perhaps *Compsognathus*.

Some details about the park are on Wikipedia:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Valley_of_the_Dinosaurs,_Para%C3%ADba)

[Valley_of_the_Dinosaurs,_Para%C3%ADba](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Valley_of_the_Dinosaurs,_Para%C3%ADba)

In 2019 Brazilian Post issued two personalized stamps with reconstructions of *Vespersaurus paranaensis* dinosaur and *Caiuajara debruskii* pterosaur. Whose fossils found in the park, as report in our magazine 69(1). Some more details are here: http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/description/stamps/personalized/brazil_2019.html

Other official stamps to consider:**GREAT BRITAIN 2021 January 14 “National Parks”**

The set of 10 1st class stamps, printed in two horizontal se-tenant strips, with images selected in collaboration with the National Parks, commemorate the 70th anniversary of the opening of the first of the UK’s 15 National Parks.

At least one park from this list can be considered as fossil found place.

The South Downs (the second from the left on the bottom row) are formed from a thick band of chalk which was deposited during the Cretaceous Period between 75 and 90 million years

ago this part of the country was under a shallow tropical sea. Chalk muds were laid down at the bottom of this sea and were very thick and widespread.

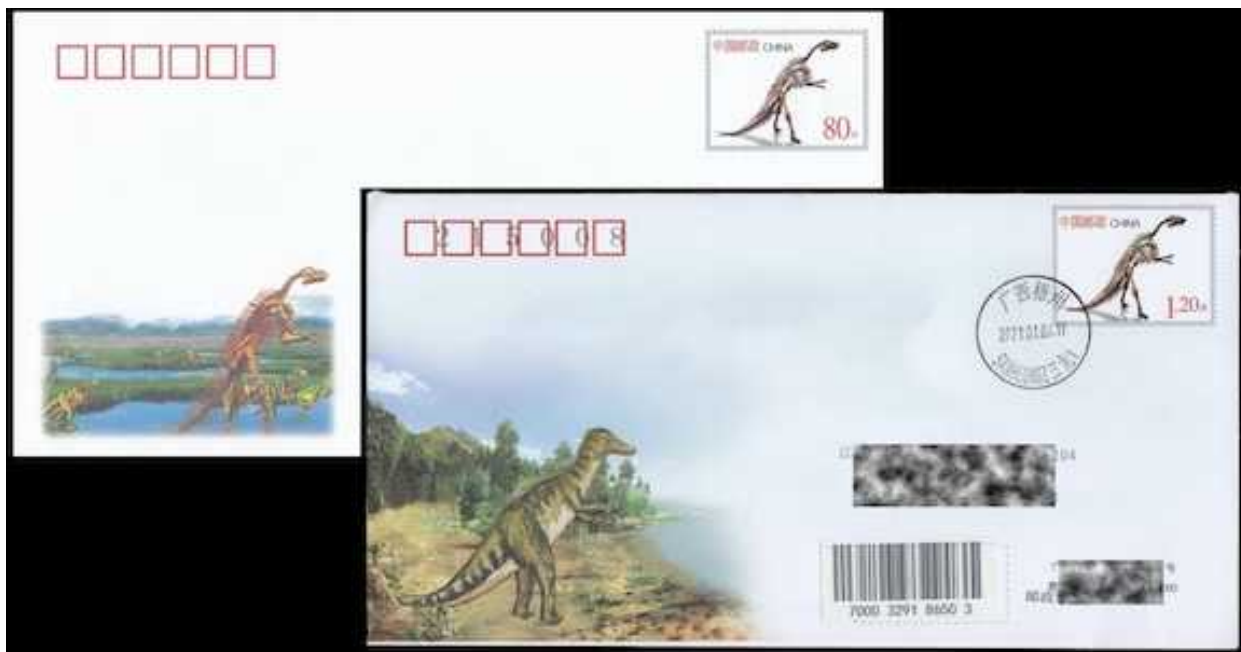
The rock is composed of the microscopic skeletons of plankton which lived in the sea, hence its color. The chalk has many fossils, and bands of flint occur throughout the formation.

More details are here: http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/description/stamps/others/uk_2021.html



Postal stationeries

CHINA **2020** (exact date is unknown) "*Shantungosaurus* dinosaur of Zhu Cheng - World's Largest Duck-billed Dinosaur Fossil".



New postal stationery (foreground) of China dedicated to the biggest hadrosaurid dinosaur in the world – *Shantungosaurus*.

It has the height of 9.1m and 16.6m in length and lived approximately 70 million years ago.

In 2002 the skeleton of the dinosaur appeared on imprinted postal stationery of China for the first time (background). This time the stamp has a face value of 80 fen. The same skeleton shown on the foreground of cachet.

Imprinted stamp on the new postal stationery has the face value of 1.20 yuan. The cachet represents the reconstruction of the dinosaur.

According the text on the reverse side of the new cover, the face value of the imprinted stamp was changed in 2009.



More details about both postal stationeries (2002

中国邮政集团有限公司山东省函件广告局发布 20-370811-12-0006-000 巨型鸭嘴恐龙化石 (2009)

and 2020) are here:

<http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/country/china.html#ps2>

Postmarks

Tajikistan 2020 December 20 "Paleontology of Tajikistan" [FDC]
Dinosaur footprint, perhaps from Shirkent National Park



Future Issues

Armenia - set of two stamps "Flora and fauna of the ancient world (V)".
One stamp of *Titanoboa* (an extinct genus of very large snake, it could grow up to 13 meter long and reach a weight of 1,135 kg) and another one with famous *Velociraptor* dinosaur

Notes:

[*1] - Commercial issue: stamps are issued with only one purpose - to sell for collectors. Stamps of countries who issued too many or too expensive stamps. Not recommended for serious collectors.

[*2] - Flying dinosaurs is wrong term, as dinosaurs per definition are terrestrial animals. The flying reptiles called Pterosaurs.

If you know about any recent or future Paleontology related stamp not listed above, please send a short message to our Associate Editor Mr. Michael Kogan admin@paleophilatelie.eu or per post to the magazine, address is on the inside cover of the magazine.

Images and description of all stamps, postal stationeries and postmarks mentioned above can be seen on the following website: <http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/year/current.html> (2021) or <http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/year/2020.html> (2020)



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